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KERRY'S ALL-SEEING EYE

Top photographer Ady Kerry is used to seeing his work published in leading newspapers and magazines around the world. But this week the Wingham snapper is using Whitstable's Horsebridge Centre to showcase some of his most striking images (example above). The Eye of a Stranger ... Objective Eyes? is the third exhibition by the freelance photographer and runs until March 10.

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■ BY GARETH ARNOLD

IT'S NOW or never for the Marlowe Theatre, city council leader John Gilbey has warned.

His comments come as the council's executive prepares to vote on the future of our city's iconic venue.

On March 19, members will decide whether to commit to a £25 million project which would see the ageing theatre rebuilt as a large, modern venue capable of hosting West End shows.

The crunch vote comes just three days before a star-studded gala evening brings down the curtain on the theatre in its current guise.

But dissenting voices have expressed consternation over spending millions on a new theatre during a severe recession.

There are rumours the vote could even be too close to call and that the Marlowe rebuild is by no means a done deal.

Cllr Gilbey said: "I think all three parties want to see it go ahead, but I know there are some councillors who have doubts.

"Until I became leader I was not directly involved with the Marlowe, so I don't have the zeal of some others who have been involved longer.

"I've always tried to remain fairly neutral, but I do want to see it go ahead. If we can afford to do it, then I think it's the right thing to do and the right time to do it."

Cllr Gilbey said delaying now would be false economy, and could even mean the end of major theatre productions in Canterbury.

Refurbishing the theatre, and bringing it up to date with legislation would cost nearly as

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'Encouraging' figures boost Whitefriars

BY GARETH ARNOLD

WHITEFRIARS bosses say the number of people visiting the shopping centre has increased by 20 per cent, despite the recession.

The surprising figure, far above the national average increase of 1.2 per cent, has even translated into a slight increase in trading across the whole centre, although this varies on a shop-by-shop basis.

The figures, from business consultants FSP, suggests that Whitefriars, along with the Bullring in Birmingham, Meadowhall in Sheffield and Brent Cross in London, is one of the UK shopping centres least 'at risk' in the recession.

This is despite two of the centre's shops – Zavvi and clothes chain USC – recently going into administration.

Both units now stand empty while the companies' administrators decide what to do with the leases. A spokesman for the Whitefriars said it was too early to tell when the empty shops would be filled, or which businesses might take them on. Whitefriars manager Peter Scutt said: "Canterbury has a lot going for it and, while the city is not exactly bucking the national trend, it certainly appears to be holding its own."

"Things may well get worse before they get better, but there is a risk of talking ourselves deeper into recession by being overly pessimistic."

"These are challenging times for retailers and customers alike, but many are stepping up to the mark and offering what the customers want – value for money – and reaping the rewards at the tills."

Whitefriars' encouraging figures are consistent with the UK as a whole, which saw sales rise in January as shoppers took advantage



Picture: PHIL HOUGHTON

CENTRE OF ATTENTION: Retailers still have confidence in the city – and so do shoppers

of big price cuts, with stores offering discounts of up to 70 per cent.

As a result, total UK sales rose 0.7 per cent in January compared with December, and by 3.6 per cent compared with January 2008, according to the Office for National Statistics.

And Whitefriars is not the only city shopping centre which seems to be weathering the storm. The Marlowe Arcade has several new arrivals which it hopes will also increase footfall.

Mr Scutt said: "Retailers still have confidence in the city, as seen by new openings in the Marlowe Arcade."

"Phase Eight and Rituals opened shortly before Christmas and March and April will see top London hair stylists Rush, Apple computer premium reseller Stormfront, and outdoor clothing retailer Animal joining the already strong line-up in the arcade."

Marlowe rebuild 'not a done deal'

FROM FRONT PAGE

much as rebuilding it. He said: "We've got to do something or the Marlowe will die. If we were to close it now and not do anything, I don't think we'd be allowed to reopen it. It's reached the end of its life."

"Refurbishment would cost the council as much as a complete rebuild in terms of lost grants – and remember that a portion of that £25m has already been spent."

"I'm interested to see the figures on the running costs of the new building. I think it will be considerably less than the old Marlowe."

The cost of the rebuild will be met from a variety of sources. Canterbury council is putting £9m towards the total, and a further £6m will be provided by the private sector, including high-level patrons and the Friends of the Marlowe.

Other grants will come from Kent County Council, which has pledged £4m, and Seeda. The rebuild will result in a main auditorium seating 1,134.

Many touring companies will not visit theatres seating less than 1,000. Breaking this barrier will mean higher profile productions and more complex sets, as well as higher profits.

It will also have restaurants and cafés to increase revenue and the building itself will be more efficient in terms of running costs.

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One-way experiment during castle project

PEDESTRIAN safety is at the heart of a one-way scheme to be introduced as part of the Whitstable Castle restoration project.

An 18-month trial one-way traffic system will be brought in around the seaward side of Whitstable Castle this month, and townsfolk will be asked their views at the end to help determine if the scheme should be made permanent.

The one-way flow will be eastbound towards Herne Bay, between the bottom of Tower Hill and Park Avenue.

And about 30 new on-street parking spaces will be created. The scheme is being carried out by Kent Highways on behalf of Canterbury council.

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Paul Farbrace describes horror of Test match terrorist attack

Kent ace: I'm so very lucky to still be alive

■ BY ANNA WHITE

EX-KENT cricket coach Paul Farbrace says he is "just grateful to be alive" after being caught up in the middle of yesterday's terrorist atrocity in Pakistan.

Father-of-two Mr Farbrace, 41, who spent years at the St Lawrence Ground in Old Dover Road, first as a player and then coach at the Kent Academy, has been assistant coach of the Sri Lanka national side since leaving Canterbury in 2007.

He was travelling with the players when the team coach came under a hail of machine gun fire, grenades and rockets.

The popular figure was hit by shrapnel and doctors had to remove a piece of metal from just below his elbow. But the former wicketkeeper, whose wife and two daughters live in Harrietsham, near Maidstone, says despite his injuries his heart went out to the five Pakistani policemen killed in the brutal attack.

They died as gunmen opened fire on the team coach as it made its way to the Gaddafi Stadium in Lahore for a Test match.

Four Sri Lanka first team players were rushed to hospital with injuries – none of them life-threatening. Police are now hunting the 12 masked men responsible.

Speaking yesterday from a safe location in



POPULAR: Farbrace at Kent, prior to his Sri Lanka move

Pakistan Mr Farbrace told the BBC: "I wasn't sure what had hit me. We were escorted by five or six motorbikes and five or six trucks full of soldiers, so we felt secure, but suddenly shots started to fire.

"There were shouts of 'get down, get down' and people just hit the floor. It wasn't until I hit

the floor that I realised I could see blood was coming from me.

"It was just panic with the gunfire and explosions all around. I was just praying one of the bullets wouldn't hit me. I'm still not sure what did hit me but I'm lucky it was nothing serious.

"It was very frightening. I hope I never come across anything like it again.

"I am just grateful that I am still alive to look back on it, and I am desperately sad for the people who died. We are all extremely lucky."

A well-known face in Canterbury, Mr Farbrace was treated for his injuries in the dressing room of the stadium before an army helicopter landed on the pitch to ferry him and the team to safety. They were last night due to be flown out of Pakistan and back to Sri Lanka.

Mr Farbrace contacted his wife to inform her of the incident with a 4am phone call. She admitted she'd been in a 'daze' since the incident.

Liz Farbrace said: "I know it's dangerous but you don't expect it to happen. He'd been in Pakistan before Christmas and he said how tight the security was."

Kent's current coach Simon Willis received a call from him at 6am. He said: "He sounded very shaken up. It was a terrifying experience by all accounts."

England and Kent ace Dean Headley added: "He was a popular figure – my best wishes go to him and his family."

Kent Cricket Club, at the time of going to press, had not issued a statement.

Beaneys exhibits make their move

THE Beaneys Institute, home to the city library and a number of exhibitions, shut for the last time for two-and-a-half-years on Saturday.

The historic building has closed to allow an extension at the rear of the building. Canterbury council says the building work will transform museum and library services, improve access and provide more space for services, displays and books.

The Beaneys is due to reopen during the summer of 2011 after an archaeological investigation and the building work is completed.

Most of the institute's services will continue during the transition period.

Object identification and museum information services will be transferred to the Museum of Canterbury in Stour Street, as will most of the picture collection and a selection of the ceramics.

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Scarlet fever warning as pupil falls ill

PARENTS are being warned to keep an eye out for the highly infectious illness scarlet fever, after a confirmed case at a school in Whitstable.

A pupil at Westmeads Infant School, in Cromwell Road, was struck down by the bug last week.

No other cases have been reported, but the school has sent a letter home to parents warning them to look out for symptoms; the first of which include a sunburn-like rash, fever and sore throat.

Scarlet fever, so called because symptoms include a bright red tongue and rash, is caused by the bacteria streptococcus pyogenes.

It is highly contagious and most commonly occurs in children between four and eight years old.

The unpleasant symptoms can last for up to five days, and also include nausea and vomiting.

It can be treated with antibiotics.

If diagnosed, parents are advised their children should stay off school for five days to prevent the bug from spreading further.

Scarlet fever is no longer the serious illness it once was and the majority of cases today are very mild.

Recession can't bite a chunk out of food inspectors' backlog

FOOD inspectors in the city are feeling the strain as catering businesses continue to rise in the district and resources are stretched ever thinner.

And it's raised concerns over food safety checks.

Despite the recession, the latest 2009 figures show the number of catering businesses has risen yet again – from 1,539 to 1,553 – further stretching the understaffed council department.

Across the district, 74 per cent of businesses involve catering, far more than the national average of 60 per cent.

And yet the council's inspection team employs fewer officers than the average local authority, with just 5.3 full-time equivalent officers as opposed to the 6.6 employed by other boroughs.

And the department has to deal with an increasing number of premises year on year.

This has led to gaps in the district's inspection programme and some of the lowest food safety standards in

the county. As Yourcanterbury reported in August last year, from March 2007 to August 2008, nearly 40 per cent of premises escaped inspection as there were simply not enough staff to carry checks out.

This was despite two hard-working officers putting in a gruelling eight weeks' paid overtime to try to reduce the backlog.

Canterbury also falls short against the latest Government target, due to come into force next month, which specifies as many premises as possible are broadly compliant with food standards, based on their previous inspection.

Canterbury has the lowest percentage of premises which meet these criteria in Kent, at just 76 per cent.

A council spokesman said: "We are looking at greater use of IT and more efficient ways of working and are prioritising high-risk premises, but the likelihood is the workload will increase further."

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Co-op grant to help fund counselling for bereaved

BEREAVEMENT counselling is available at Cruse Bereavement Care's Canterbury branch, thanks to a grant from the Co-op.

The £1,000 grant to the Canterbury and Thanet branch will provide training to four of its supervisors, allowing the charity to re-start its service.

Charity spokesman Sylvia Butcher said: "The Co-op grant has enabled four new supervisors to undertake the necessary Cruse training."

Man fined after nine-hour birthday booze session

DRUNK Paul Gillham celebrated a friend's birthday too heavily and wound up in a police cell.

Gillham, 23, of Canterbury Road, Whitstable was picked up in Old Bridge Road after boozing for nine hours.

He admitted being drunk and disorderly at Canterbury Magistrates Court.

Gillham was fined £100 and ordered to pay £60 costs plus £15 victim surcharge.

Two glasses of wine lead to crash and driving ban

PENSIONER Leslie Binnarsley didn't realise two glasses of red wine would put him over the drink drive limit.

Binnarsley, 65, of Charnwood Road, Broomfield admitted drink driving at Canterbury Magistrates Court last week.

He was breath tested after his car was involved in a collision in Herne Bay.

Binnarsley was banned from driving for a year, fined £300 and ordered to pay £60 costs plus £15 victim surcharge.

Café to donate Mothers' Day menu cash to charity

THIS Mothering Sunday, Café Rouge will once again join forces with Marie Curie Cancer Care to offer diners a special menu which is set to raise vital funds for the charity.

The restaurant chain will donate £1 from every Mothers' Day menu sold on March 22 to the charity which provides nursing care for people with terminal cancer and other illnesses in their own homes.

Get in the pink for first Race for Life in the city

■ BY GARETH ARNOLD

CANTERBURY is holding its first ever Race for Life this summer in support of Cancer Research UK.

The charity is appealing for women from the district to get involved in the fun events which now attract nearly 700,000 participants nationwide every year.

The Canterbury race is set for June 28. Herne Bay will hold its own race on July 12.

Organisers are hoping for 1,800 women to join the Canterbury event, with a fundraising target of £122,000. Registration for the race is now open.

Cancer Research UK's Race for Life 2009 is the UK's largest women-only fundraiser.

Women of all ages and fitness levels are invited to do something amazing by signing up for the 5km event, joining together to walk, jog or run the distance to raise money to help beat cancer.

Many women who join in are cancer survivors or are participating in memory or support of a loved one.

Natasha Etienne, Race for Life area event manager for Kent, said: "We hope that everyone will accept our invitation to do something amazing by taking part in Race for Life."

"Women of all ages, abilities, shapes and sizes join in. They motivate and inspire each other to complete the 5k course."

"Many simply walk round, chatting and having fun but they all share the wonderful spirit of sisterhood and pride on the day."

Cancer Research carries out world-class research to improve understanding of the dis-



FUN RUNNERS: Ladies are asked to don their pink running outfits for 5k run and raise money for Cancer Research UK

ease and find out how to prevent, diagnose and treat different kinds of cancer, and the charity says that good progress has been made.

Ms Etienne adds: "The number of people surviving cancer is increasing. In the 1960s, less than three out of ten children diagnosed with cancer were successfully treated."

"Now, it's seven out of ten. More women are surviving breast cancer than ever before."

"But we still have a long way to go. Despite improvements in treatment, one in four people

in the UK will die from cancer. With your help, we want to change that."

"Cancer Research UK believes that research is the key to developing better ways of preventing, detecting and treating cancer."

The Race for Life in Canterbury takes place on Sunday, June 28, at 11am at the University of Kent.

• Women are invited to enter for either the Canterbury or Herne Bay race at www.raceforlife.org or by calling 0871 641 2282.

Hairy Bikers drop by to get a taste of Kent



SLICE OF LIFE: The Hairy Bikers at Tiny Tim's Tearooms

THE Hairy Bikers rode into Canterbury recently to film their forthcoming series to be aired in the summer.

The celebrity TV cooks had come in search of traditional Kentish food, and they found it in an enthusiastic episode featuring Tiny Tim's Tearoom in St Margaret's Street.

Hairy biker Dave Myers said "We are looking for something you only find in Kent and tastes fantastic."

Tiny Tim's Tearoom is a family run tearoom and restaurant offering breakfast dishes and light lunches, which are freshly prepared along with a range of homemade cakes and pastries, all

baked on the premises each morning.

In their quest to find unique and traditional tastes of Kent, the bikers sampled Tiny Tim's plump pilgrims, sausage puffkins and Kentish huffkins.

Customers at Tiny Tim's watched as Dave Myers and Si King discussed on camera the many cakes and pastries on offer with owner Phil Owens.

Simon King said: "It's not rocket science, but it is great food you really want to eat."

Owner Jo Dench-Owens said: "It was an exciting day at Tiny Tim's for all the staff and Dave and Si lived up to their friendly on-screen reputation."



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TRANQUILITY: Stunning sea view is part of Ady Kerry's exhibition at the Horsebridge Centre in Whitstable

Ady's images an eye opener at exhibition

FROM tranquil landscapes to frenetic sporting events, the work of acclaimed Wingham photographer Ady Kerry offers a varied vision of the world around us.

And visitors can catch a glimpse at Mr Kerry's latest exhibition, starting today, at the Horsebridge Centre in Whitstable.

The Eye of a Stranger... Objective Eyes? is the third exhibition by the freelance photographer whose work regularly appears in many national and regional papers in the UK and abroad – including this newspaper and our sister title Kent on Sunday.

Mr Kerry said: "The challenge for any photographer is to illustrate a range of opinions for as many people as possible, either in one image, or in a selection of images forming a larger feature."

"The power of an image for one person can be lost on another, which is reassuring."

Despite being used to seeing his pictures in some of the world's most prestigious publications, Mr Kerry says exhibitions are vital for photographers who are often forced to put their work at the mercy of picture editors and page layouts.

He said: "The lack of space and pre-designed pages often lead to the best pictures

■ BY GARETH ARNOLD

not getting published.

"It is a frustrating aspect of the industry which professionals accept, reluctantly, so having an exhibition is an opportunity for me to showcase the images I like."

"All artists have a connection with their work, and some of these images have an emotional attachment which wouldn't be directly apparent to the viewer, while others have the power to evoke memories of a time or a place which many people can equate to."

"The Welsh Six Nations celebration at the final whistle after defeating England on the way to the Grand Slam in 2008 tells both sides of the story, Welsh joy and English despair; while the landscape image of the sunset behind Brighton's West Pier shows how beautiful our world still is."

Mr Kerry is also adept at capturing calmer moments, and landscapes also form part of the wide-ranging pictures on display.

The Eye of a Stranger... Objective Eyes? is on at the Horsebridge Gallery, Whitstable until March 10.

The gallery is open from 9am to 6pm Monday to Saturday, and 10am to 6pm on Sundays. Admission is free.

Countdown to closure

As part of a series of articles taking a look at the history of the Marlowe Theatre, prior to its closure later this month, check out a special online documentary.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Where are your children?

POLICE have appealed to Herne Bay parents to take more responsibility for their children after officers dispersed a large mob of drunken youths.

Up to 70 youths aged between 14 and 19 gathered on the seafront on February 20. Police say the group's behavior was "deteriorating", forcing them to take action.

Officers confiscated alcohol from several teenagers and an 18-year-old boy from Herne Bay was arrested after refusing to hand over an open bottle of wine and trying to run off.

He was restrained by officers and taken to the town's police station where he was issued with a penalty notice for disorder and a £50 fine for drinking in an Alcohol Control Area when requested not to do so.

Dozens of other youths had their cans and bottles seized and poured away.

Sgt Dave Brenchley of the Herne Bay and Whitstable neighbourhood team said: "I think parents simply do not realise what is going on but they must take more of an active role in finding out where their children are going on a Friday night."

Call for music centre funds

CANTERBURY Christ Church University is on the hunt for 1,000 supporters to help fund its proposed music centre.

The university has already secured a proportion of the £8 million needed to build the centre, dubbed the St Gregory's development project, and has launched an appeal for further external funding. It is seeking 1,000 supporters to become Friends of St Gregory's, at a cost of £25 per year.

To join up, email stgregs-development@canterbury.ac.uk or call Kate Chesterman on 01227 782995.

Iconic images up for sale

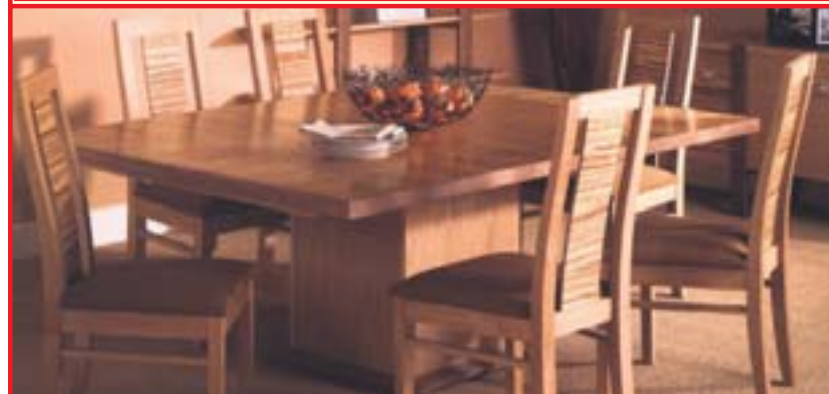
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Taken in 1963 by photographer Philip Townsend, famous for his shots of icons such as The Beatles, Twiggy, Gene Pitney and The Searchers, the prints are limited to 495 worldwide and signed by the photographer.

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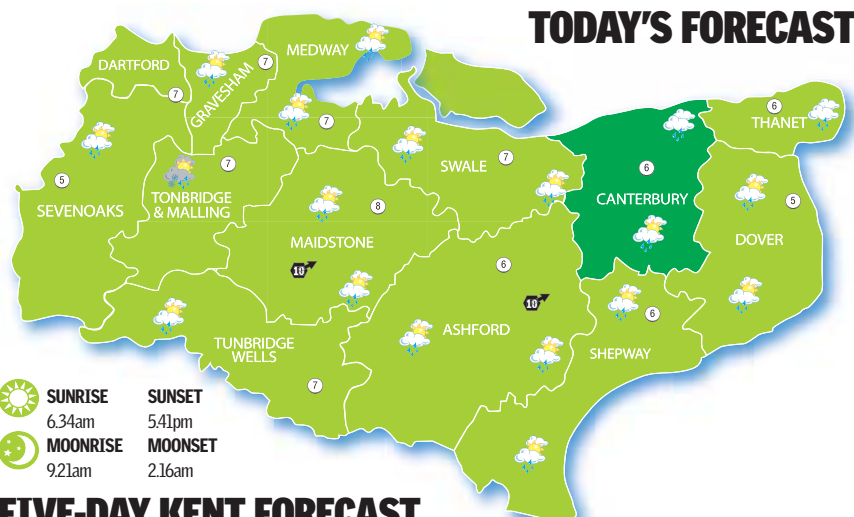
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Las Palmas	16°C	Wellington	21°C



ANTI-SOCIAL: TV expert has labelled Bengal the 'Asbo cat'

'Bengal is no bully'

A CAT breeder from Herne Bay has leapt to the defence of a breed labelled 'dangerous' and 'anti-social' by TV animal trainer Debbie Connolly.

Ms Connolly, a pet behaviour specialist, nicknamed Bengal cats the 'Asbo cat' and claimed the felines, which have wild ancestors, terrorised other pets in the neighbourhood.

Ms Connolly, who runs an animal training website and appeared in the BBC's Dog Bristal series, even claimed one older woman had been kept a prisoner in her own chair due to fear of her Bengal cat.

She said: "These cats can be dangerous and extremely anti-social."

"What people don't realise is these cats are not cute and fluffy. They will break into your house with the intention of killing your pets."

But Libby Norman, who runs Applegarth Bengals in Herne Bay has defended the breed, which was originally created by crossing an Asian leopard cat with a domestic cat.

She said: "They are wonderfully friendly, outgoing and loveable animals, and I have never had anyone who has any problems."

She said that the cats lives in her house with her dogs and other animals and have never attacked any of them.

Mrs Norman said one customer bought a Bengal as a companion for his disabled wife and that the cat lives happily on his wife's lap in her wheelchair.

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Chatham	10°C	7°C	7°C	8°C	8°C	Ramsgate	8°C	6°C	6°C	8°C	8°C
Dartford	10°C	7°C	8°C	10°C	10°C	Rochester	10°C	7°C	7°C	8°C	8°C
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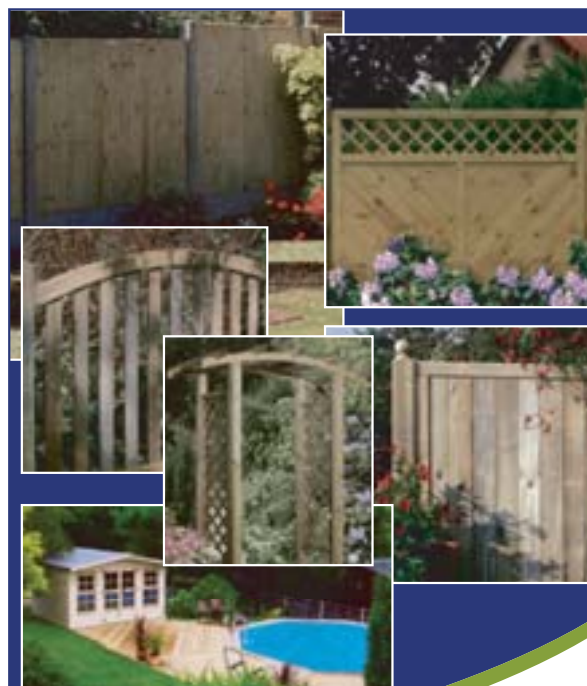
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QUESTION & ANSWER

DERRY MARTIN



Q Tell me a little about yourself.

A I am 50 years of age and have spent most of my working life connected to the construction industry. I originally did my apprenticeship with the family firm WW Martin Ltd in Thanet as a carpenter and joiner and subsequently went into partnership with my own building firm, Martin & Harris Ltd.

In the last couple of years I've added another string to my bow by completing health and safety training, and combine this with building. I have a busy family life, I've been married for 26 years and have three children.

Q How did you first become involved in Canterbury Operatic Society?

A I first became involved with the society 12 years ago in the production of The Merry Widow, in the tenor role of Camille. Since then I have been involved in many of their productions taking principal roles, playing alongside a very friendly group of people. The society always welcomes new members.

We usually perform at the Marlowe but due to the new development there our latest show is instead being staged at the Gulbenkian Theatre, on the University of Kent campus.

Q So what can we expect from Pirates of Penzance?

A I'm playing the part of the Pirate King. It's a light hearted comical Gilbert & Sullivan

operetta and the audience will not be disappointed. The director Steven Creswell has brought out the energy and humour in the show and it will be a fantastic evening of entertainment. Our musical director Diana Whybrow has also brought the score to life with some great dynamics.

Q You've appeared in quite a few productions before; what has been your favourite or most memorable role or part?

A I've appeared in many different shows over the years but I think my favourite parts have been in Anything Goes, in which I played the part of Billy Crocker with the Ramsgate Operatic Society, and then in a different production for Canterbury Operatics I took the part of Sir Evelyn Oakleigh. It's a great show, with some memorable songs such as I Get a Kick Out of You. I've also enjoyed taking the role of Gaylord Ravenal in Showboat with Ramsgate Operatics back in 1993; Nanki Poo in The Mikado and Curly from Oklahoma. I think the most challenging I had to sing were the tenor solos in Handel's Messiah.

Q What qualities do you think are needed in order to be able to go out and perform on stage?

A Being a member of an operatic society can be great fun and challenging. Obviously a love of music and singing is essential, but there is nothing like the buzz of going out on stage and performing in a show, especially if the audience is receptive and appreciative.

Q Gilbert & Sullivan musicals seem to be enjoying a revival, why do you think they have such lasting appeal?

A The Gilbert & Sullivan operettas are always good fun to be involved with and they seem to be timeless. They have a great mix of light hearted comic storylines with some likeable characters, the usual love interest and wonderful melodies and harmonies to sing.

Q Have you any other shows lined up after this one?

A After finishing Pirates of Penzance, I will next be appearing as Sir Walter Raleigh in the concert version of Merrie England with the Thanet Festival Choir in June 2009.

Q What do you like to do when you're not involved with the show?

A In my spare time I keep up my singing with others societies I'm a member of, including Herne Bay Operatics, and when the weather's a bit warmer I head to the beach to go jet skiing or sailing.

Q Where can people find out more about the show and where it is being held?

A The show is at the Gulbenkian Theatre from March 10 to 14, performances are in the evening at 7.30pm and on the Saturday there's also a matinee performance starting at 2.30pm. You can buy tickets from the box office on 01227 769075 or at www.gulbenkiantheatre.co.uk.

Q&A

The Pirate King in Canterbury Operatics' latest production spoke to **James Alexandre** about how he first became involved with the society, his passion for singing and the enduring appeal of Gilbert & Sullivan

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News merger turns off ITV's viewers

BY SIMON ROBINSON

HUNDREDS of TV viewers across Kent have vowed to switch off ITV after the station merged three news areas into one.

The ITV Meridian South East show has been combined with the Thames Valley and South shows into a single "pan-regional" broadcast.

The super region reaches a population of eight million people, 12 county councils, 86 MPs, 60 district councils – from Dover to Oxford and Medway to Portsmouth – and seven international airports.

Kent viewers have taken to ITV's message board in their hundreds to complain about the move.

Angela Fyfe, one of more than 500 viewers to hit out at the new show online, wrote: "The news area covered now is far too large.

"Nobody in the Kent area is interested in Southampton, West Sussex and so on, and I am quite sure all viewers feel the same.

"You will lose many loyal local news watchers by these changes, please think again."

"That Ginger Guy" added: "Cringeworthy television at its best. I don't bother with ITV with news anymore.

"It's dreadful that you thought saving money by making local news no longer local or watchable."

"PGC" wrote: "I have tried to be patient and give the new look programme a chance. But I'm afraid it has lost not only its identity, it has also lost its sparkle, personality and charm.



BROAD-CAST: Fred Dineage and Sangeeta Bhabra bringing you news from Southampton and Basingstoke

"The audience is there for a local news programme – but this isn't it. If ITV want to save money, this is not the answer, why drive your audience away?"

ITV's online editor Jonathan Marland said the combined ITV Meridian news bulletin – with East and West segments – have come as a result of "economic realities".

He wrote on the ITV website: "The changes have all been made against a background of massive upheaval in British broadcasting. In a nutshell ITV had an obligation to make regional news as part of the original conditions of its broadcasting

licence.

"But those conditions have been relaxed as a result of the huge number of digital stations now competing for advertising revenue, and the credit squeeze.

"This is all part of a big national debate about public service broadcasting, and who should pay for it. The problem is that PSB is expensive and cannot be maintained on a purely commercial basis.

"The government is promising to come up with a solution soon. In the meantime economic realities have forced changes across the whole PSB landscape."

University of Kent opens up a world of study in Brussels

The University of Kent markets itself as the UK's European University. It has partnerships with colleges in Germany, Spain, Austria, France and for more than ten years it has been running its own small campus in the political heart of Europe. Reporter **ED HILL** paid them a visit.

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CONTACTS: Marty Gaal Kent's School of International Studies due to its connection with many of the world's largest political organisations, such as the EU and NATO.

John Macgregor, dean of the school, said: "We have been here for ten years. It started off with a dozen students so it has had tremendous growth."

The courses run at the institution specialise in international relations and law, as well as many other topics. All the courses are aimed at postgraduate students.

Most of the students that attend the school come from overseas, with the majority coming from America and Canada.

Marty Gaal, 35, from Vancouver, said: "I had been living in Asia for six or seven years and needed to come back to do a PhD and I wanted to come to Europe. To find an English speaking university in Brussels met all my requirements.

"The course here has meant I have been able to make lots of contacts. I worked with the European Parliament and a consultancy firm."

The MA courses generally run for one year and have expanded to include conflict analysis, international economics and migration studies.

The University of Kent has also announced it is setting up courses in humanities for postgraduate students in Paris.

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■ BY CHRIS BRITCHER

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Our Buy Local Produce campaign is spearheaded by the launch of www.foodforkent.co.uk a one-stop shop allowing you to order local online, and have it delivered to your door.

We have teamed up with a host of local suppliers to make choosing fresh vegetables, fruit, fish and meat a breeze.

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added benefit of every penny helping boost our local economy.

It forms a key part of our campaign which looks to raise awareness of shopping locally for delicious, locally produced, food and drink.

The campaign is being supported by Produced in Kent – the non-

profit organisation supported by both Kent County Council and Hadlow College – which promotes and assists local suppliers and products.

Doug Wanstall is one of the county's best known farmers. From his land in Aldington, near Ashford, he has developed a reputation as one

of the county's foremost suppliers – particularly in free range eggs.

He explained: "Look at France. They hardly know there's a recession there. They all drive French cars, holiday in France, eat French food, drink French wine. Its national economy supports itself.

"If we did that in Kent – if we visited the tourist attractions here, we buy local food, we drink local wine, in short, if we used all the services we have here, we, as a county could pull ourselves out of this recession quite quickly.

"I believe by supplying the likes of FoodforKent.co.uk we are helping redesign the food supply chain in Kent."

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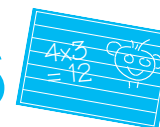
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Book Day visit is pure fantasy

■ BY GARETH ARNOLD

A FANTASY author tipped as a new leading light in children's fiction will be entertaining pupils at Barton Court Grammar School tomorrow (Thursday).

Canterbury author Stephen Baird is visiting the school on World Book Day, the biggest annual celebration of books and reading in the UK and Ireland.

The author, whose book *Fire in the Straw* received rave reviews from fellow fantasy writer and author of international bestseller *Shadowmancer*, GP Taylor, will be talking to pupils about the creative process.

He will read excerpts from his book and explain to students how he comes up with his ideas, encouraging them to explore their own imaginations for similar inspiration.

Barton Court librarian Véronique Milot, who helped organise the visit, said: "He will be talking to Year Seven and Eight classes about his book, creating worlds, his inspiration and making the fantasy genre credible ... or not. Those are his words! It sounds so inspiring."

Fire in the Straw follows the time travelling adventures of 14-year-old Mac, who is transported back to the medieval city of Loxeter.

Mr Baird said: "Mac is your average guy. Average at work, average at sport, average friends, wears average clothes. And he's happy with his average life."

"Then he's hurled into Loxeter where he's special – very special indeed – and he doesn't know why. He longs for his old life, but Loxeter doesn't do average."

"Computer knowledge and football skills are no use in a violent world ruled by daggers and swords."

Mr Baird is a teacher at the Junior King's School in Canterbury during term time, but



NEW CHAPTER: World Book Day promotes books and reading for the enjoyment and enrichment of all

lives in Cornwall. He takes a keen interest in history and his book has been praised for its historical accuracy and attention to detail.

He will be visiting Barton Court Grammar on Thursday, March 5.

To find out more, visit Mr Baird's website www.fireinthestraw.com.

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Parents consulted on earlier closing

CHAUCER Technology School is looking at closing earlier one or two days per week and is consulting with parents over the plans.

But pupils hoping for a half day off each week will be disappointed – the school says students will still receive exactly the same amount of time in class through restructuring the timetable.

The idea is to provide extra time for staff training, so teachers and other staff can be kept up to speed on the latest developments. Managers are suggesting the school closes at 2.30pm on Wednesday afternoon, and are talking to the bus com-



CLOCKWISE: Chaucer Technology School wants to adjust its timetable for staff training

pany providing transport to and from the campus to see if it is possible to run the bus schedule earlier on Wednesdays.

Parents can give their views at www.chaucer.ac.uk.

Science festival is an explosive success

KENT Festival of Science at Simon Langton Boys' Grammar School was an explosive success, with crowds packing the school to explore the experiments on show.

The festival was full of entertaining science shows and activities, including *Astrodomes*, the *Creepy Crawly Man*, the *Air Show* and the *Super Science Show*.

Many attractions were interactive,

including sponsor Pfizer's demonstration of using robots to screen for drug molecules, and a focus on bubbles.

Visitors were also able to put their DNA in a necklace, and help solve the mystery of Penelope Treadloaf using forensic science.

The next festival is in Chatham in October. More details can be found at www.sciencefestival.org.uk.

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Why we must back off to let tragic Jade die with dignity

THE blanket media coverage given to Jade Goody's health in recent weeks has made nothing but disturbing reading.

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Her predicament and its coverage has sparked a rise in the number of women checking for cervical cancer and that can only be a good thing.

Yet the national tabloid media's desire to highlight Jade Goody's plight now appears to have morphed into a rather gruesome countdown to her death.

Without question, the former Big Brother contestant has made no effort to shield her life from the glare of the spotlight.

In fact, she courted it – and with good reason. After all, the media is prepared to pay for

access to such stories, and if the money is to go into a trust fund for the financial future of her sons, who would want to criticise a mother's natural instinct to protect her children once she is gone?

But there must come a point where someone's dignity at this stage of their life must be protected.

And if Jade – or, more to the point, her advisors – is unable to decide when that is, the media and, indeed, we as consumers of news, must make that decision.

There is a fine line between highlighting a story and simply taking advantage to become rather bizarre voyeurs. I suspect we are on the verge right now of overstepping that line.

We do not need to see this young woman actually die before our eyes. We do not need to photograph and record her every final moment.

This is a human tragedy and regardless of an unquenchable desire for fame and publicity, we, as a society, need to say enough is

enough. This is not through a desire to be protected against life's inevitable conclusion. Nor is it a desire to shield ourselves from the appalling sadness of seeing someone's life and soul slowly drip away; for it is not unusual

It is a desire for dignity. A desire for Jade Goody not to end her life as so much of it has been conducted, as a puppet for other people's purposes, be that making money or selling magazines.

Jade is the epitome of modern-day celebrity. Catapulted into the national consciousness by an appearance on a reality TV show, her talent an apparent desire to reveal every part of herself in pursuit of fame and the perceived answers that brings. Yet she deserves, in her darkest hour, her dignity. And her children deserve that dignity, too.

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TALK TIME

KATE HOMERSHAM

Simon Langton Girls' Grammar's sport co-ordinator has been given an award for her work encouraging children at local primary schools to get involved in sport



What do you do as the school sport co-ordinator?

My role is to raise participation rates of all children, aged five to 16, taking part in PE and school sport.

This involves working within Simon Langton Girls' Grammar School and primary schools, linking activities and festivals through the key stages.

Every secondary and primary in Canterbury is part of the school's sport co-ordinator programme which is funded by the Government to raise the profile of sport in this country.

Which schools do you work with?

Chartham, Bridge and Partrixbourne, Barham, and Nonington primaries, and the Orchard School.

All have a nominated link teacher responsible for PE. I meet with them to plan activities and support them in trying to involve as many children as possible.

How do you get children interested in sport?

I will take classes for curricular lessons and extracurricular clubs. I run junior play leaders awards in all the schools and arrange external coaches to run extra-curricular activities. Every year I organise a variety of events including cross country, High Fives netball tournament, a rounders tournament, a 'multi skills' festival, and I take assemblies.

What is the most rewarding part of your job?

Using Langton girls to assist in assemblies and plan and run activities. I do this whenever possible. Both the younger and older pupils benefit hugely from this and the interaction is superb.

YOUR LETTERS

Putting the brakes on speed demons

Kent County Council's Joint Transportation Board has at last shown great integrity and common sense by implementing a 40mph speed limit on the A257 near Canterbury.

For years motorists have abused this stretch of road like it is a Grand Prix racing track.

Quite why drivers feel the need to speed to their destination as though a few lost seconds were a catastrophe is beyond me.

Lowering speed limits nationwide is the most sensible way to combat these death-wish drivers.

Not everyone yearns to live fast and die young. The majority of us want to exist at a moderate pace and reach a ripe old age, not have our lives cut short by selfish, fatalistic speed demons.

Clive Wilkins-Oppler, Canterbury



Don't they know we're struggling?

I read in your paper about Canterbury council's rise in its



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slice of the council tax.

How amazing is it that there will still be reductions in services? Unbelievable, as the council is already making cuts.

Staff at the Marlowe are being made redundant, as well as those

at council offices. So what is it planning now? That's right - to spend £23 million on a new theatre. Surely if they didn't do that then they wouldn't have to put up taxes and cut services?

Then there's the issue of fat cat

paypackets of over £50k.

Perhaps they could all take a pay cut and give us an easier time. An increase of more than four per cent when we are all struggling is unacceptable.

Vincent Bellevue, Whitstable



Tasers are another tool in crime fight

In response to letters in your paper last week questioning the move to secure more tasers.

Kent Police Authority has agreed to seek Home Office investment for more tasers. Chief Constable Michael Fuller has put forward an operational case to KPA members and we fully support the argument.

Mr Fuller and his team have the authority's full backing on this matter. We understand the legitimate public concern, but tasers are only deployed in strictly controlled circumstances.

Officers are given rigorous training and we know from our research that tasers contribute massively to officer and public safety and most importantly are another tool that can be used to help defuse difficult and dangerous situations.

Mark Gilmartin, chief executive, Kent Police Authority

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Low and behold the Tory election trick

As always at this time of year, the Conservatives are claiming that they have kept council tax down, while making savings and maintaining services.

And they also claim they are doing that despite supposedly getting so little funding from central government. Their claims, as always, are spurious.

The bulk of our council tax goes to Kent County Council. The Conservatives who dominate KCC are imposing what they call the lowest ever recorded rise, 2.44 per cent.

They are doing this because they know that the Government will take action if they go above five per cent.

But, more importantly, they are keeping the council tax percentage rise low this year because there are county council elections in June.

Even a casual glance at the Conservatives' record will show that in election years they come up with a low council tax increase and we pay for it the following year.

They are also keeping council tax rises low this year by keeping staff pay down for the lowest paid (the people who actually provide the services to the public) while ignoring calls for a review of pay for those on six-figure salaries.

They could make savings by getting rid of pet projects such as Kent TV and HealthWatch, but have chosen not to. At the same time they

are reducing funding to, for example, the already under-funded youth service.

All this while they have had above-inflation increases in grants from Government throughout this decade, as well as now enjoying the stability of knowing what those grants will be for three years at a time.

Cllr Mike Eddy, Labour group leader, Kent County Council

Rising diabetes rates linked to meat diet

Experts warned this week that UK diabetes rates are soaring – and there is a strong link with the country's expanding waistline.

This tallies with a new scientific report by health charity the Vegetarian and Vegan Foundation (VVF).

The report investigates the links between white meat consumption and health.

White meat contains more than twice as much fat as it did in 1940, a third more calories and a third less protein.

Meat – including white meat – is the one food most linked to weight gain around the waist.

A chicken carcass contains almost a pint of fat, and organic chickens aren't much better nutritionally. Despite having more space than factory-farmed chickens, they're on the same regime of high-energy feed, little exercise and breeding for rapid

weight gain. There is also a clear link with diabetes. Eating just one or more servings of meat (any type) per week significantly increases diabetes risk.

People eating a 'low-meat' diet for 17 years had a 74 per cent increased risk. For recipes using tasty, healthy, meat alternatives, call the VVF on 0117 970 5190, or visit the website www.vegetarian.org.uk.

Amanda Woodvine, Vegetarian and Vegan Foundation

Estuary airport will not get off ground

I write in response to Alan Moores letter (Kent could really do with backing Boris).

Boris Johnson owes it to his constituents as Mayor of London to explore other options in light of Heathrow expansion plans.

Sadly, Boris doesn't seem to grasp that a variety of estuarine airports have been mooted over the years and rejected for very sound reasons.

Why turn Kent into another Heathrow when one exists already?

Far better to use our airports more efficiently. Do you really want a 24-hour international hub on your doorstep, with all the lifestyle and environmental implications?

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PREPARE for some high-octane action on the sands when the QRA Margate Big Sky Beach Cross Weekend gets under way.

Spectators are promised an even bigger and better event than ever before, with lots of attractions and thrilling racing to keep people entertained both days.

Racers will be battling for glory on the one-and-a-half-mile Moto Cross-style course, built with the help of Ovenden Plant Hire in the sands beneath the promenade. Spectators can enjoy excellent viewing of the action as they look down on the racers.

At the time of writing, the busy schedule of racing is due to start with a parade of riders making their way along the promenade to the beach at 9.30am on Saturday and again on Sunday, setting the wheels in motion for two days of exciting competition.

Practice begins at 10am, followed

QRA MARGATE BIG SKY BEACH CROSS WEEKEND

Saturday and Sunday, March 7-8
Margate Main Sands



by qualifying heats or racing from 10.30am. The country's top adult and youth quad and adult solo riders will be chasing the coveted Margate title at full throttle, with events running until 5pm both days.

After all the excitement of the races, the Grand Finale will be held on the Sunday. The top riders from each quad class will race each other to determine the fastest racer on the sands. The presentation of awards is due to take place at 4.30pm on Sunday.

On Saturday night, DJ Stumpy will host a social evening for competitors and their guests at the Smiths Court Hotel in Eastern Esplanade, Cliftonville, from 8.30pm.

The QRA – Quad Racing Association – and Margate Town Partner-

ship have been working hard to create a fun weekend for all the family.

There will be trade stands for petrol-heads to indulge their passion and lots more off-beach entertainment. If the exhilarating racing leaves anyone in the mood for some adrenaline-fuelled thrills, there will be fairground rides to keep the screams and laughs coming.

Best of all, admission to the event is free. With no charge for spectators, the QRA Margate Big Sky Beach Cross is a recession-beating day out for all the family.

Since it began in 2007, the event has proved phenomenally popular with racing fans and attracted a lot of media interest.

With only riders and officials having access to the sands, every inch of the beach can be used to create an exciting and challenging course in a relatively small area.

For more details about timetables, the event's history and other helpful information, visit the website at www.margatebeachcross.com.



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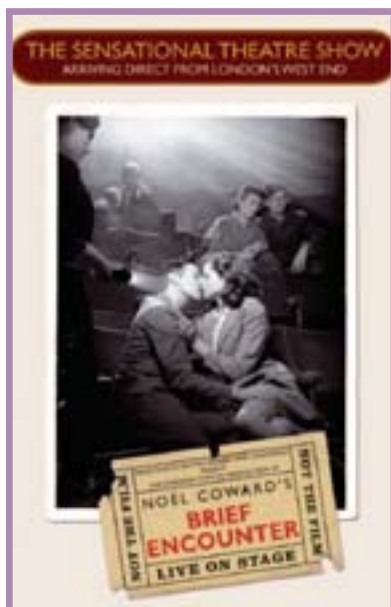
NOEL Coward's tale of stifled romance is brought to the stage in Brief Encounter.

Kneehigh Theatre Company has created a new version of the much-loved film, using film, music and words to recreate the poignant world of Milford Junction in which two people enjoy a brief and ultimately heartbreaking connection.

When housewife Laura encounters married doctor Alec in a railway station's waiting room, it is the beginning of a friendship that will blossom into a passionate love affair. But the couple's romance is suffocated by guilt and eventually they face up to their future.

The 1945 film was adapted by Coward from his one-act play, Still Life. Directed by David Lean, it starred Celia Johnson and Trevor Howard and is considered one of the greatest love stories of all time.

Brief Encounter will be the last week-long show at the Marlowe before it closes for refurbishment. Tickets are priced from £12.50 to £23.50. To book call 01227 787787 or visit www.marlowetheatre.com.



DR PHIL HAMMOND

Saturday, March 7
Gulbenkian Theatre, Canterbury

LAUGHTER is certainly the best medicine when prescribed by the irreverent Dr Phil Hammond.

Having been a doctor and whistle-blower for 20 years, Hammond has exposed a lot of scandals in the medical profession and annoyed quite a few of his fellow practitioners. In his latest show, Trust Me, I'm (Still) A Doctor, Hammond takes a look at his career to date and ponders his possible future as a patient.

Having presented five series of BBC 2's Trust Me, I'm A Doctor, Hammond has exposed a number of variations in care standards across the NHS. He has written satirical magazine Private Eye's medical column since 1992 and broke



the story of the Bristol babies' hearts scandal.

An accomplished comedian, he presents his own show on BBC Radio Bristol and also fronts The Music Room on BBC Radio 4. As one half of Struck Off And Die, he enjoyed five sold-out shows

Edinburgh Fringe Festival and returned with his own show, 59 Minutes To Save The NHS, in 2002.

The show starts at 7.45pm and tickets cost £14.70. To book call 01227 769075 or visit www.gulbenkiantheatre.co.uk.



ATTACK! ATTACK!

Friday, March 6
Westcoast Bar & Venue, Margate

FANS of power punk-rock should not miss the chance to see Attack! Attack! in action this week.

The up-and-coming band from Caerphilly are rising stars on the UK music scene and have become favourites of rock magazine Kerrang! They have toured with other acclaimed Welsh bands such

as The Blackout, Funeral For A Friend and Lost-Prophets, as well as English pop-punk band You Me At Six, and they appeared at numerous festivals last year.

Attack! Attack! will close their current co-headline UK tour alongside Tonight Is Goodbye with this headline gig in Margate, before they head off to play a Kerrang! festival in Texas.

Kent ska-punk band Tyrannosaurus Alan will be opening the show and the

entertainment continues with Eleven:Eleven, a Thanet-based catchy rock band that has toured with the likes of Elliot Minor. Main support is supplied by The Skints, who are renowned for their excellent live shows. Soon they will be joining big name in American ska, The Slackers, on tour.

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Isla's shopped around for her first leading lady role

■ BY SHEREEN LOW

SHE may play a shopaholic in her latest film, but Isla Fisher says her real life doesn't imitate her art.

"I don't really enjoy shopping, I have to be honest. There's always so many people in the store, and so many choices," she says.

"More often than not, because I'm often shopping out of necessity, rather than it being a fun way to spend the afternoon, it's just me with a mission – in and out, and pick out whatever it is that I need."

The 33-year-old mother of one says she has little in common with her new character, fashion addict Rebecca Bloomwood in *Confessions Of A Shopaholic*, adapted from Sophie Kinsella's chick-lit bestseller.

In fact, you're more likely to catch Isla flashing the credit card for culinary gadgets than for the latest wardrobe must-have.

"I do like bags and shoes, but I'm a bookaholic at the moment, especially cookbooks," she says, grinning. "I seem to always be collecting cookbooks. It's wish fulfilment."

Just like die-hard shoppers who sometimes keep unworn purchases with their tags intact, the Australian actress finds herself in the same situation with cookbooks.

"I'm embarrassed to admit, there are a couple that haven't been opened. I buy Asian cookbooks and it's hard to find the ingredients – that's my excuse. I'm just lazy," she adds.

Confessions Of A Shopaholic marks the former *Home And Away* star's first major starring role on the big screen, although she has previously wowed audiences in *Wedding Crashers*, *Horton Hears A Who* and *Hot Rod*.

"I've been acting for a really long time and I felt, finally! I was as prepared as I could be,"



HOME AND AWAY: Isla Fisher's career has transformed

she says. "I knew I was responsible for the tone of the movie in a way I hadn't been as a supporting cast member."

"I knew the character was very beloved and I didn't want to disappoint the readers, but as nerve-wracking as it was, once I got going and started shooting the movie, I was so physically exhausted – I was breast-feeding every three hours – and trying to juggle every-

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thing that it just became about endurance."

Isla, who is engaged to British comedian Sacha Baron Cohen, gave birth to baby Olive in October 2007. She admits her fiancé is responsible for getting her the parts that have shaped her career.

"He got me into comedy. I was auditioning for dramatic roles and not having much success, and he said to me 'You're really funny, you should do comedy'. It was those words that inspired me," she recalls.

Isla has a dream to collaborate with her husband-to-be: "I would love to work with Sacha. I think he's the funniest man in the world. It'll be amazing. But not right now. At the moment I'm not working and I don't feel like working. I'm really lucky to be in a position that I am."

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Jones when she arrived at the Saks Hair and
Beauty salon; and (main) after her pampering
session which included foot massage, facial, head
massage and haircut

Pure Saks appeal

THERE are worst ways to spend
my morning than meeting Emily
and being carefully guided
through an array of potential
beauty treatments.

After a 'lifestyle consultation' – which
involved discussing my bad eating habits,
'beauty regime' and problem areas (dark circles
under tired eyes) Emily recommended
the rather exhilarating sounding anti-ageing
visible brilliance facial. It would, she
explained, help my eyes whilst also doing lots
of lovely things to rejuvenate and tone the
skin. Who was I to complain?

Now, call me naïve, but I always thought a
facial was, well, face-centric... yet before
anything touched my cheeks, I was treated
to a quite remarkable foot massage.

If ever there is a way to get someone
relaxed, this is it. It was a hot lime foot
cleanse, and my tired, abused feet were
very grateful for the attention. I was almost
sorry when Emily stopped to begin the work
proper.

The facial itself used the popular range of
Elemis products, a British brand which, it
claims, can 'awaken the senses' while making
you look and feel like a million dollars.

It involved a variety of beautiful smelling
creams, before a cool, but strangely pleasant,
facemask was smoothed over my face. Whilst
this was left to set, my head was massaged,
before the mask was gently peeled from my
face, taking all the dead skin away with it. A
second mask was applied to nourish the new

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er skin with nutri-
ents and vitamins to leave me
with a refreshed glow to my complexion. The
treatment was complimented with a hand
and arm massage to give time for all that
goodness to soak in.

By the time it was over I was impressed to
notice a real healthier glow to my skin – espe-
cially my troublesome eyes.

Regardless of that, however, the experience
was worth every penny (treatments cost £59-
£65) just for the inner peace and calm it
brought me.

The hair salon

As someone who's used to simply asking for
her split ends to be tidied up I found it a novel
experience to have a full consultation with
careful questions regarding my own hair care
regime before we even began talking about
the cut.

Like most, I'm reliant on my straighteners,



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YOUR TV REVIEW

■ BY TOM BETTS

FRIDAY NIGHT WITH JONATHAN ROSS
BBC One, 10.35pm, Friday

AL MURRAY'S MULTIPLE PERSONALITY DISORDER
ITV1, 9.30pm, Friday

THE controversy surrounding Jonathan Ross and Russell Brand last year was only ever going to do one thing – increase interest in both personalities and their subsequent projects.

While the furore claimed Brand's radio job, the more established star managed to get off with a suspension and keep his multi-million pound contract.

The return of his late-night talk show, which is by far Britain's most popular, was eagerly anticipated.

Many wondered if the host would be able to continue with his risqué humour and close-to-the-bone interview style, which has proved so successful, or whether he would tone down matters.

Perhaps it was a question that was always going to be a non-starter, because Ross really does know only one style, which I'm sure will please his legion of fans.

What has been a welcome change though is that his maddening habit of constantly talking about himself has dropped away somewhat.

During the last series, and the many that have gone before, it had become a show about the man himself rather than the guests.

Almost every conversation inevitably ended up being about Ross rather than who was sitting beside him, no matter how big the star.

With all the fuss now dying down, the show seems to have benefitted from the break and a more humble,



TALKING IT UP: Ross has toned down his chat show antics after finding himself in hot water

slightly less self-obsessed Ross is actually a much better interviewer.

And, after all, that is what a chat show is supposed to be all about.

So if the cloying banter had led you to switch off before, the show is worth revisiting for a second look.

I can't say that Al Murray's the Pub Landlord character ever really split my sides.

Mildly amusing maybe, but not the genius comic creation that some would have you believe.

Murray has scored his own sketch show on the back of the continued success of the pint-pulling xenophobic anti-hero though, and it started last week with a patchy affair that showed both dashes of promise and disappointment.

As a Perrier Award-winner Murray can count the likes of Steve Coogan and Lee Evans among his peers, but it will be interesting to see if he can throw off the shackles of his best-known character, show he is more than just a one-trick pony and pull off a more varied endeavour.

YOUR WEEK'S HOROSCOPE

BY RUSSELL GRANT



AQUARIUS (Jan 21-Feb 19)
DON'T be surprised if romantic sparks fly between you and someone you meet over the next few days; they're attracted by your unusual outlook on life. If you're already in a relationship, your partner will see a pleasant change in the way you act think and love.
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TAURUS (Apr 21-May 21)
LOOKING back on a difficult relationship puts your current situation in perspective. You're starting to see a trend. By avoiding the sort of people who have made your life miserable, you'll reach the lifestyle you've always desired. It's important to steer clear of martyrs.
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LEO (Jul 24-Aug 23)
RECONSIDER the values you have held dear for the past few years. It's possible they are no longer practical or realistic. Be ready to explore different points of view. Going back to the religious and cultural practices of your ancestors could throw a light on your views and values.
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SCORPIO (Oct 24-Nov 22)
YOU have a rare opportunity to go back and correct some old mistakes. A female employer may be very impressed with your work. Don't be surprised if she offers you a good job. It's also possible that an old boss will ask you to come back into the fold.
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PISCES (Feb 20-Mar 20)
MONEY that was owed to you some time ago could finally be repaid. Use it to get something you've always wanted, but didn't dare buy. You're long overdue for some luxurious treat that you don't necessarily need, but desperately want. If you're stumped for ideas, ask a loved one.
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GEMINI (May 22-Jun 21)
GETTING back in touch with an old group of friends will be lots of fun. These people will remind you of a time when you had much bigger dreams. Maybe this is a sign you need to champion some of those goals anew. You're not the type who can rest on their laurels.
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VIRGO (Aug 24-Sep 23)
IT'S a good time to look at your finances and think about your future, especially if you're in a relationship. You need a nest egg to feel safe. Given this need, it's wise to open an account in just your name. You can still contribute to a joint fund, but having your money own is important.
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SAGITTARIUS (Nov 23-Dec 21)
TAKING up a creative project you left ages ago is a wonderful idea. You hate leaving things unfinished. Getting back into the habit of writing, painting, or playing music will awaken something deep inside you. You can't afford to let this side of yourself grow stale.
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ARIES (Mar 21-Apr 20)
YOU can get back to your fighting weight, it's just a matter of discipline. Post an attractive photo of yourself in a prominent spot. Every time you catch sight of this image, you'll be reminded of your goal. Arrange to give yourself a small reward each time you reach a target.
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CANCER (Jun 23-Jul 23)
YOUR boss may review your job description so don't be surprised if you are presented with a whole new set of responsibilities. They might not involve much creativity or imagination. Perhaps this is a sign you need to move on to greener pastures.
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LIBRA (Sep 24-Oct 23)
SOMEONE from the past could make a comeback into your life. Work out whether this will be good for you. After all, you've made tremendous progress since you parted company with them. You must admit, you have a tendency to put your needs aside for the sake of others.
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CAPRICORN (Dec 22-Jan 20)
GOING through photo albums and mementoes will bring back some great memories. You have the opportunity to forge the life you always deserved and desired. Get into the habit of treating yourself to things you missed out on when you were younger. Make up for lost time.
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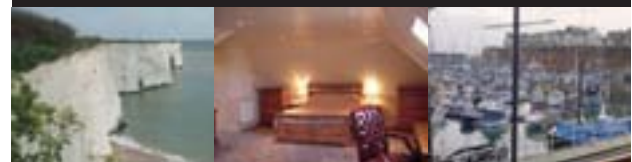
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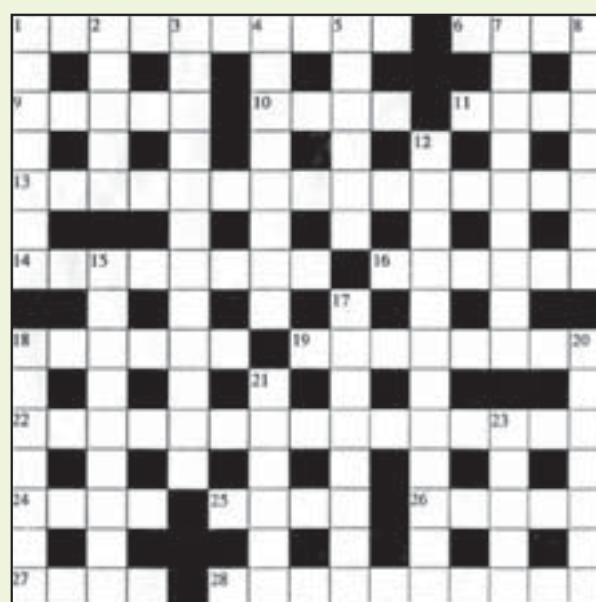
ACROSS

- 1 Two requirements for the game (10)
6 William's account (4)
9 In disuse upper part of exhaust (3,2)
10 This ran unsuccessfully (4)
11 Basil, say, had some sherbet (4)
13 Safely stored in gaol (5,4,3,3)
14 Clean below the line (8)
16 More correct-sounding scribe (6)
18 Caprice by Virginia and Gareth (6)
19 Invoice for earlier one, say (8)
22 Among the medals during preceding quarter presumably (2,3,5,5)
24 Girl had half a lump twice (4)
25 Old from the year 500! (4)
26 A doctor in the British Isles initially had a deer (5)
27 Not about, stuck, puzzled with pointed tooth (4)
28 Missive that's uncalled-for (4-6)

DOWN

- 1 Sent, say, for bunch of flowers (7)
2 Place almost fixed (5)
3 Where to sell things out of the country (6,6)
4 Born lazy, involved with heraldry (8)
5 UK, alas, exchanged capital! (6)
7 Creakiest sort of performer at the rink (3-6)
8 One attempting to influence the small hall hesitantly (7)
12 Unrewarding version of a blueprint (12)
15 Drug one's put underneath this computer (9)
17 Was chairman before team started drifting (8)
18 Shortly have piece inserted into small bloodvessel (7)
20 Retailer did not start arranging workshop (7)
21 Succession of clinking sounds in catchy rhyme (6)
23 Send timer off (5)

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QUICK CLUES

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- 1 Long-eared American hare (4-6)
6 River Thames at Oxford (4)
9 Small medieval fiddle (5)
10 Warships (4)
11 Rotate (4)
13 Action that will lead to conflict (9,6)
14 Greenhouse (8)
16 In flower (6)
18 Outwit (6)
19 Quarter-circle (8)
22 East African antelope (8,7)
24 Frame of mind (4)
25 Poultry bird (4)
26 Adored (5)
27 County in western Ireland (4)
28 Castle defence (10)

DOWN

- 1 Biblical city (7)
2 Small party (5)
3 Seesawing toy (7-5)
4 Outlawry (8)
5 Originate (6)
7 Nervous Pa (anag.) (9)
8 Ray (7)
12 Excellent thing or person (5-7)
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Escape to the coast of tranquillity

BY CHRIS BRITCHER

IT would be easy in this day and age to write Cornwall off as something of a victim of its own success.

It is, after all, hugely popular courtesy of warm Atlantic air and some dramatic, craggy coastlines.

But it has something of an image problem; of being awash with surfers hurtling around in Scooby Doo-style camper vans and its housing stock being snapped up by the second-home brigade. It has given fuel to its critics who say its magic is diluted by a torrent of newcomers.

Yet while in the summer the narrow streets winding down to picture-postcard fishing villages set amid ragged rocks and bathed by turquoise waters become a mass of hot metal as cars compete for a slice of tarmac, off-season it retains a charm which is quite unique.

And, despite its fame, it has enough nooks and crannies in which it remains possible to escape from the hustle and bustle of everyday life. Take The Lugger Hotel. A weak-armed child's stone's throw from the water's edge, the 17th century inn has long been entertaining visitors. It will come as little surprise it was once a smuggler's cove – hidden as it is in a bay surrounded by steep cliffs.

It nestles at the very foot of tiny Portloe on the Roseland Peninsula in Truro, 12 miles from St Austell. Its white-washed walls gleam against the lobster pots and boats which fishermen use to land their catch just yards from the kitchen door. It feels so remote. You can't even get a mobile phone reception here; which in this day and age is praise indeed.

And it delivers a slice of style and luxury without any of the pomp and ceremony which can make some hotels almost intimidating.



Picture: CHRIS BRITCHER

RETREAT: The Lugger Hotel, right, is found at the water's edge in a beautiful, secluded, Cornish cove

Our room, in a converted boathouse a 30-second stroll from the main hotel building, was a mass of spotless creams and whites – the linen deep and rich, the décor perfect for the spectacular setting outside your window.

This is a walker's paradise. Coastal routes wind their way up the cliff sides, providing perfect views across the deep blue waters and breathtaking scenery. The town itself, however, offers little other than unspoilt charm.

Remarkably, locals estimate about 70 per cent of the pretty cottages in Portloe are second homes. An evening stroll to the Ship Inn nearby is done in almost complete darkness and silence as darkened homes line the five-minute route. It's a little eerie, and rather sad if truth be told.

The small shops which have long since closed their shutters for the final time have stopped being the heartbeat of the this pretty village. Now The Lugger fulfils that role;

expanding into nearby properties to offer a varied range of accommodation.

Strapping on your walking boots for a stroll is the ideal way in which to build up an appetite for a meal in the low-ceiling, wooden-beamed restaurant. It is truly a gourmet delight. The daily changing menu boasts fresh caught fish and seasonal vegetables that almost throb with taste and freshness.

There's even a growing range of spa treatments on offer for the guest wanting to indulge in the ultimate in relaxation. An hour being pampered amid the candles and music before taking in the clean, crisp air outside is very much the icing on the top of a quite wonderful, self-indulgent cake.

What's more, with the Eden Project just 40 minutes drive away and miles of coastline to explore, Cornwall may just need to go back on the must-visit map. And The Lugger should be the must-book hotel.



Travel details

Chris Britcher was a guest of The Lugger Hotel. He stayed in a deluxe room with sea views and a daily rate of £250 for double occupancy and inclusive of breakfast, three-course dinner, and VAT. Special weekend break rates are available, as are three night midweek rates.

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PROPERTY NEWS

Wide-ranging market study gets under way

THE Office of Fair Trading has launched its market study into home buying and selling, following two months of discussion with interested parties on its scope.

The study will take a comprehensive look at the market for home buying and selling services. It will consider:

- Competition on price and quality between service providers, principally estate agents.
- Prospects for entry by new business models, including internet-based.
- Whether the regulatory framework provides the right balance between protecting consumers and ensuring the market remains open to competition and innovation.
- Relationships between estate agents and other service providers such as mortgage brokers, surveyors, solicitors and other professional advisors.

The study will cover the UK, while recognising the significant differences in how the market works in Scotland.

Heather Clayton, senior director of infrastructure, said: "We need to ensure consumers receive a good service when buying or selling a home, from a market that is competitive, innovative and well-functioning. We have had constructive discussions with interested parties and are starting the study with a clear understanding of the key issues."

The OFT intends to complete the study before the end of 2009. For more details, visit www.of.gov.uk/homes.

Average house price falls £28k in a year

THE average house price is now £156,753, down almost £28,000 on January 2008. This represents an annual decrease of 15.1 per cent.

In London, the average price fell 14.1 per cent annually to £306,183.

It is the 17th month in a row where the annual rate of change has fallen, in contrast with 21 months of uninterrupted increases in the average annual rate of change between December 2005 and August 2007.

The most up-to-date figures available show that during November 2008 the number of completed house sales fell by 67 per cent to 33,404 from 100,730 in November 2007.

In London only 3,504 house sales were completed in November 2008 compared with 12,719 in November 2007 – a fall of 72 per cent. For more information and to view the latest statistics, visit www.landregistry.gov.uk/houseprices/



Agents confirm growing first-time buyer activity



OPEN DOOR: Falling prices are enticing first time-buyers after years of being unable to get a foothold on the property ladder, but the banking crisis is hindering recovery

FIRST-time buyers are edging out of their shells and tentatively beginning to venture into the offices of estate agents.

They are the key to any property recovery. If first-time buyers are not buying, chains simply can't develop, let alone be completed.

But now the National Association of Estate Agents is reporting many of its members are seeing more first timers.

All that needs to happen now is for the banks to lose their Scrooge image.

Prime Minister Gordon Brown has said he wants to see the end of 100 per cent mortgages, which will make life even harder for first-time buyers, who will have to show their deposit funds have not been borrowed and are pure savings.

Mr Brown has also been told stamp duty should be scrapped for all but the most expen-

BY CHRIS MURPHY

sive properties to ease the burden on new buyers.

And Northern Rock, virtually nationalised this time last year, has announced it will be lending up to £14 billion over the next two years – more welcome news for the market in general.

Peter Bolton King, chief executive of the estate agents' association, said: "Our figures show there is huge demand for property from first-time buyers, who are increasingly visiting estate agents, registering their interest and searching for property."

"These figures demonstrate they are being frustrated at the final hurdle because lenders are not making mortgages available."

"First-time buyers are crucial, not only to the housing market, but the entire economy. More must be done to help them."

And John Oakley, the chairman of the association's east Kent branch, said he too was seeing the start of some sort of recovery.

He said: "Locally there is a marked increase in first-time buyers registering with our member firms."

"With the reduction in house prices, they perceive now is a good time to get on the housing ladder."

"Houses are now affordable, but first-time buyers are being frustrated by the difficulties in getting a mortgage, with lenders looking for ever larger deposits."

"If the first-time buyers are not helped and encouraged to take that first step, the rest of the market cannot get moving. Banks and building societies must stop putting obstacles in the way and start to release funds."

"The housing market is one of the main drivers of the economy and when houses start selling it has a positive knock-on effect to many other sections of the community."

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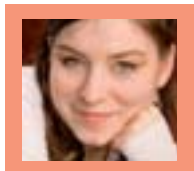
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Female 49, 5ft4, long hair, slim, likes eating out, the beach, travel, seeks a friendly chap, 48-55, Hastings. Box 417100

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Young looking, hard working 53yr old living in East Sussex. I am a happy, caring person with a good sense of humour. Non-smoker. Heathfield. Box 883410

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Country-loving happy lady, 43, 5ft6, green eyes, long curly hair, good figure, looking for a genuine guy for a serious relationship and lasting happiness. Battle. Box 883723

SATURDAY NIGHT AT THE MOVIES!

Single mum, 43, kind and devoted, likes walks, cinema, beaches and socialising, drinks and films, seeks similar man for lasting love. Box 449686

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HERE WE ARE

Shy girl, 38, loves having laughs and lots of fun, seeks similar guy to enjoy special moments and hopefully love with. Box 448679

MEND A BROKEN HEART

Single mum, 37, fun-loving, been hurt in past, looking for nice, genuine guy for hopeful happiness - no time wasters! Box 908033

CUTE AS CAN BE

Cute, single mum of 4, 38, Kent-based, into most things, looking for friendship/romance. Box 897963

BLONDE AMBITION

Bubbly, cuddly, blonde single mum, 38, 5'6", likes cars, reading, pubs, cosy nights in, having a laugh, looking for that right male for LTR. Box 905614

ANIMAL LOVER?

Nurse, 37yrs, 2 kids, 5ft8, blonde hair, blue eyes, likes the gym, cooking, swimming, salsa dancing, looking for a kind, caring, loyal male Box 431557

THIS STATE OF INDEPENDENCE

Hard-working female, 41, 5'4", bubbly, independent woman, love to laugh, socialising with friends, looking for independent man who values TLC. Box 414156

BE WITH ME

Honest and caring female, 44yrs old, enjoys pubs, cinema, theatre and more, seeks a kind, caring gentleman for friendship & romance. Box 449181

GENUINE REPLIES ONLY

Bubbly female, 44, brunette, N/S, medium/large, enjoys singing and theatre. Would love to meet a decent fun-loving guy, similar age, pref non-smoker for LTR. Box 445955

HOLDING OUT FOR A HERO

London near to the area, 57, 5ft5, slim attractive blonde, seeking a man for serious relationship and lasting happiness. Box 449587

DREAMS OF YOU

Genuine, caring lady, late 50s, slim & young looking, looking for a loyal, considerate, N/S male for long term relationship. Box 446566

WALKS ALONG THE COAST

Honest & sincere female, 58, tall, GSOH, loves country pubs, coasts, cinema, seeking a man who's a match for me with GSOH for relationship. Box 441622

HAPPY AS ME

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Women seeking women

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I'm a 26yr old female, looking for new friends, maybe that special girl...let's have a meal and a drink and see what happens! Box 448722

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Easgoing female, 40, blue eyes, blonde hair, medium build, likes wining, dining, socialising, holidays, walks cinema; seeking likewise female for companionship and more. Box 446953

FRIENDSHIP, HOPEFULLY MORE

Feminine woman, easgoing, caring, 45, long brown hair, blue eyes, I love music, eating out, reading/writing, drives, weekends away. WLTW boyish female. Box 448248

MAKE IT A LOVELY DAY

Hi, I'm Carl, 40, GSOH, 6ft, light green eyes, brown hair, looking for a fun, bubbly woman to share laughs, days out and much more. Box 436696

STANDING ON OUR OWN FEET

Hi there, I'm a 42 year old male, 6ft, with brown hair/blue eyes, sincere, caring & thoughtful, OHAC, seeking female with independent mind for love. Box 884870

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Loving, tactile, genuine, considerate male, 42, life of the party, loves swimming, music, cinema, reading, WLTW the girl to spend great times with... Box 449450

GET BACK

Gentle male, 42, brown eyes, medium build, works hard, own place, seeking similar female, own place, hassles/ies, to enjoy cinema, conversation, eating out and more. Box 444952

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Dad with great SOH, 29, 6ft, dark hair blue eyes, slim, loves music, cars, bikes and socialising, looking for girl for fun and more. Box 449334

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A COMPANION FOR LIFE?

Blonde lady, 56, 5ft5, medium build, attractive, devoted mum, ready to start dating again and seeking male who loves travel, theatre, walks, cinema and more. Box 448449

LET'S SEE WHAT HAPPENS!

Smart petite lady, 56, 5ft4, tall, blonde hair, green eyes, likes restaurants, theatre, cinema, travel abroad; seeking happy guy with similar interests. Box 448735

MAKE ME SMILE AGAIN

Seeking genuine lady, I'm a 38yr old male, 5ft8, dark hair/blue eyes. I work hard and play hard, would like to enjoy spare time with partner. Box 449649

HOPE ON!

Hi, I'm Mark, 6ft, slim/medium build, lots of interests including motorcycles, WLTW a kind and honest female to share fun times and laughter with. Box 445124

EVERYTHING I DO

Lee, driver, 36yr old, 6ft3, dark hair, like pubs, clubs, wine bars, places of interest, sports and reading, WLTW a woman for friendship and romance. Box 889723

TRUSTWORTHY

Margate man, 37, 6ft3, dark hair, nice big build. I work in residential care which I love. I'm down-to-earth, kind, tactile, with a GSOH. Box 423437

R U 4 ME?

Down-to-earth, loyal guy, 36, looking for companionship, leading to a long-term relationship. Enjoys meals out, good company, conversation, cosiness, romance. Box 914917

ROMANCE, COMPANIONSHIP?

Me, 39, 5ft6, blond hair, blue eyes, hard working, friendly, loves films and music, sports, football, karate...WLTW nice, slim, attractive lady for meals and more. Box 449167

FOR DIVORCED

Divorced devoted dad, 39, into motorbikes, bikes, football, socialising, travel; seeks similar woman with good heart for potential romance. Box 448687

ANYTHING IS POSSIBLE

Art-loving 40yr old, 5ft9, brown hair/eyes, into motorbikes and thrill-seeking, looking for a trustworthy female for friendship to start with, then who knows? Box 448928

LOVE ON THE DANCEFLOOR

Outgoing, young-minded male, 47, smoker, likes cars, games, books, cinema, castles, places of interest, seeking similar woman to boogie on the dancefloor with. Box 443750

THE FIRST STEP...

Attractive mixed race male, 41, 5'10", likes chatting, travel and music. Looking for a female in the Kent or London areas. Box 882345

THE WIND BENEATH YOUR WINGS

Guy of 40, outgoing, fun, tall, told I'm handsome, easgoing, looking to meet a nice, attractive lady to sweep off her feet. Box 883376

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KING OF HEARTS

Very romantic male, 44, fair hair, blue eyes, looking for his Queen of Hearts, 24-48, slim, to complete the deck for possible LTR. Box 446120

DOWN TO MARGARET!

Young-looking, slim male, 43yr old, 5ft10, enjoys beach walks and cinema, WLTW mature lady for a committed long term relationship. Margate. Box 441706

MOTORS NEWS



New car gives Insight into a hybrid future

HONDA opens a new front in the hybrid war in April with the all-new Insight, billed as a Ford Focus class hybrid at a conventional price.

The Insight (from £15,490) undercuts the rival Toyota Prius significantly and attacks up-spec or 'eco' versions of the Ford Focus and VW Golf.

Honda says experience has shown where savings can be cut yet the car is generously equipped, qualifies for the lowest company car Benefit in Kind bracket and caters for buyers' desire to 'go green'.



Mitsi's Ralliart 'pocket rocket' all ready to fly

MITSUBISHI has had another crack at creating a cut-price 'pocket rocket' – a hot hatch version of its heavily revamped Colt supermini.

The new Ralliart (from £12,049) features the 'Jet Fighter' nose from the new Mitsubishi Lancer and is also available as a five-door (£12,549) as well as a three.

But it is on the road where advantages show over the old model; the 147bhp 1.5-litre turbocharged Ralliart's revised chassis and steering is far superior.

It just needs more 'hot hatch' branding.



Seat's 'back to black' offer is pretty special

COLOUR always plays a big part in marketing for Seat.

Having made red, yellow and white popular again for performance models, the Spanish marque is championing black with the Ibiza Black special based on the five-door 1.4 Sport variant, including air con and electric windows all round.

Extras include unique front and rear bumpers, side skirts, tailgate roof spoiler, and black metallic paint – all for £12,345 and featuring a lively 83bhp 1.4-litre petrol engine with five-speed manual gearbox.



ZOOM-ZOOM IMAGE: The latest Mazda2 has learned an important lesson from its Mark I predecessor by staying away from MPV styling and being sleeker and more aerodynamic

Mazda2 Mark II standing out from supermini crowd

THERE'S not much scope for grand styling within the compact dimensions of a supermini.

So the latest Mazda2 makes a refreshing change, but the Japanese marque learned the hard way how supermini buyers crave style as well as practicality; the original Mazda2 drove well enough, but erred too much towards MPV styling to be a big seller.

The current low slung, lightweight and aerodynamic three/five-door '2' (from £8,899) better suits the brand's 'Zoom-Zoom' image.

Slinky lines are not let down by the drive either; a slick gearbox and lively engines mated with a neat and tidy chassis, balancing good grip and steering with a decent ride, makes the '2' one of those rare cars that you can enjoy without a masses of power.

This bodes well for an almost obligatory hot model later on to wear the wide stripes with which you can already customise your Mazda2.

And it underlines the appeal of even our £9,399 TS five-door entry model. In its lower (74bhp) state of tune the 1.3 petrol engine is still lively but, having driven all but the 1.4 diesel engine, I would urge you to go for the

ROAD TEST MAZDA2

BY STEVE LOADER

STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Image	★★★★★
Space	★★★★★
Value	★★★★★
Running costs	★★★★★
Reliability	★★★★★
Green rating	★★★★★

extra power of the 85bhp TS2 model without going the whole way to the 102bhp 1.5-litre petrol Sport (£11,799).

The 1.5 is lively alright, but does not bring much more to the party in return for costing £2,000 more than our favourite.

One thing all versions have in common though is their eco-friendliness – the Mazda2 is much lighter than its predecessor and most rivals, which means lower emissions and better fuel consumption.

The Mazda is well-equipped as standard: electric front windows, driver seat height adjustment, MP3 compatible CD radio with auxiliary jack and electric door mirrors.

The interior is also spacious and airy due to a relatively long wheelbase and low window line, while the dashboard is smart and well-arranged, with the high-mounted gearshift falling nicely to hand for a sporty drive.

The seats are comfortable for this class too, though Mazda has cut some corners with the quality and feel of cabin materials, while extra interior space, comfort and style may have been bought at the expense of the boot, 250 litres being shy of the 285-ish benchmark set by top-selling rivals.



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USED CAR ROUND-UP: OUR PICK FROM A KEY SECTOR

FRENCH FAMILY HATCHBACKS

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IN a market sector where products are increasingly alike, French motor manufacturers tend to create highly individual rivals to the big-selling Ford Focus. Where Gallic contenders do harmonise is with chic and distinctive interiors, good turbodiesel engine options and ride comfort – a response to rural tracks and the cobbled streets that still criss-cross many city centres in France. This is not to everyone's taste though, so our trio can be very affordable too in a used car market that saw prices tumble drastically in late 2008.

RENAULT MEGANE



RENAULT'S second generation Mégane arrived in late 2002 and proclaimed that, unlike its predecessor, it would look and stay fresh for the full production run – it still looks good against its recent successor. The now famous rear end 'bustle' made the car stand out and buyers flocked to Renault's mid-range model despite the feature costing load space. Apart from a sassy image it offers good diesels, safety, low running costs and scorching Renaultsport versions (pictured).

STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Looks and image	★★★★★
Space	★★★★★
Value	★★★★★
Running costs	★★★★★
Reliability	★★★★★
Quality	★★★★★

CITROEN C4



LIKE Renault, Citroën really needed to pull something special from the hat for its current family hatch. As a result, the C4 is a far better car than the horribly Xsara that it replaced and Citroën has given the five and three-door models a different look each; the former is sleek, futuristic and stylish while the latter has rakish coupé lines. However, both ride beautifully and share a radical and interesting interior without the irritating quirkiness of old-style Citroëns.

STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Looks and image	★★★★★
Space	★★★★★
Value	★★★★★
Running costs	★★★★★
Reliability	★★★★★
Quality	★★★★★

PEUGEOT 307



PEUGEOT used to trump its French rivals in this sector, but faces tougher players now. The 307, launched in 2001 and replaced in 2007, saw Peugeot acknowledge the trend towards MPV styling, opting for a high roofline, while still offering a conventional estate and MPV-like SW alternative (pictured). Along with the original three and five-door hatchbacks and a coupé cabriolet, the 307 has all the bases covered, a fine choice of turbodiesels and cheaper used prices.

STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Looks and image	★★★★★
Space	★★★★★
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A2, 2003, abs air conditioning alloy wheels board computer cd player clock driver airbag driver seat height adjustment electric front windows exterior mirror heated leather steering wheel passenger airbag radio side airbag driver and passenger steering wheel with radio control tilt/tilte steering wheel, blue, 29277 miles, £5995, FGBarnes, Maidstone, 01622 755531 (TRADE)

A4, 1.8T S Line Saloon 4d 1781cc (2004), m04thk, climate control, abs braking system, alloy wheels, remote locking, half leather interior, electric windows & mirrors, alarm / immobilizer, radio / cd, power steering, height adjustable driver's seat, height adjustable steering wheel, front & side airbags, balck metallic, 88600 miles, £10995, £-SSURED Cars UK, Broadstairs, 0845 6447751 (TRADE)

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AVEO, LT, hu58xc, 15" alloys, silver, 1900 miles, £8995, Automatically Ray Morris (Welling), Welling, 0208 303 4030 (TRADE)

MATIZ, 1.0 SE+ Hatchback 5Dr 995cc, 56/2006, a/con radio/cd player electric windows pas abs central locking, metallic blue, 14, 000 miles, £4995, Cheriton Motor House, Folkestone, 01303 275795 (TRADE)

MATIZ, 1.0 SE 5dr (2005 -), 05122005, immobiliser, blue, 7830 miles, £5000, Invicta Motors, Ramsgate, 0844 856 4496 (TRADE)

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C3, 1.4i 16V Cachet 5dr, 2008, 1.4i 16v cachet 5dr hatch special edition, blue, 5000 miles, £8995, Barretts Citroen, Canterbury, 0845 3709768 (TRADE)

C4, 1.6HDI 16V VTR Plus 3dr [Non-DPF3], 2008, 1.6hdi 16v vtr plus 3dr [non-dpf3] diesel coupe, grey, 15000 miles, £3995, Barretts Citroen, Canterbury, 0845 3709768 (TRADE)

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C4, 2.0i 16V Exclusive 5dr Auto, 2006, 2.0i 16v exclusive 5dr auto hatch, red, 15000 miles, £7495, Barretts Citroen, Canterbury, 0845 3709768 (TRADE)

C4, 1.6HDI 16V VTR Plus 5dr EGS, 2008, 1.6hdi 16v vtr plus 5dr eds diesel hatch, silver, 10000 miles, £11995, Barretts Citroen, Canterbury, 0845 3709768 (TRADE)

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FIESTA, LX 16v 3dr, 6566079, remote central locking, remote alarm, rear wash/wipe, rear headrests, electric front windows, electric mirrors, cloth upholstery, height adjustable seat, air conditioning, cd player, radio, twin air bags, power steering, adjustable steering column, blue, 30500 miles, £3995, Kings Highway Garage Ltd, Plumstead, 020 8855 4000 (TRADE)

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X-TYPE, 2.0D SE Saloon 4d 1998cc, 04 2004, speed box, full jaguar service history, cd/radio, ivory leather trim, electric windows, central locking, power assisted steering, cruise control, electric mirrors, air conditioning, front and rear heated screens, airbags, abs, front fog lamps, alloys, immaculate condition, metallic pacific blue, miles, £12995, Westbrook Cars, Canterbury, 01227 710685 (TRADE)

X-TYPE, 2.5 V6 SE Saloon 4d 2495cc, 52 2002, 1 owner, service history, electric windows, central locking, power assisted steering, cruises control, electric mirrors, air conditioning, on board telephone controls, radio cassette, 6 stack, cd system, volume and radio controls on steering wheel, front and rear heated screens, air bags, abs, front fog lamps, alloy wheels, immaculate condition, ivory leather trim, gold, 19000 miles, £10995, Westbrook Cars, Canterbury, 01227 710685 (TRADE)

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PICANTO, 1.1 LS, 2007, insurance group 3 abs air conditioning body coloured bumpers central locking drivers airbag folding rear seats front electric windows passenger airbag power steering radio/cd steering wheel rake adjustment, liquid silver, 6963 miles, £5695, Masters Bromley Kia, Beckenham, 0208 662 6133 (TRADE)

PICANTO, 1.1 Zipp+ 5dr (2006 - 2006), 27/09/2006, silver, 17381 miles, £5000, Invicta Motors, Canterbury, 0844 856 4494 (TRADE)

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BUSINESS BRIEFS

'Human capital' seen as key to firms' efficiency

ATTRACTING and retaining skilled employees is now seen as the most important source of using trade resources efficiently for UK businesses, according to new research.

In a poll of almost 200 senior executives, 83 per cent felt that in light of the current skills shortage, human capital was the key factor in having an edge over their competitors.

The survey, conducted for professional services group KPMG by Opinion Leader Research, found that the current skills shortage was the most pressing issue facing British organisations.

Kathy Lloyd, head of people services at KPMG in Kent, said: "The success of the UK increasingly relies on our ability to function as a highly skilled, hi-tech economy and employers are right to be concerned about the difficulty in finding staff equipped with both basic and more advanced skills."

According to the survey results, nearly three-quarters (74 per cent) of companies surveyed felt that the UK fell short in terms of skills, particularly literacy and numeracy.

Staff retention was cited as the second key people-issue that UK firms expect to face in the future and businesses are considering a raft of measures to counter this.

Most popular of these would be training and development (62 per cent), finding ways to retain top performers (61 per cent) and leadership development (59 per cent).

Women's Day invitation

SOUTH East businesswomen have been invited to a lunch on Thursday, March 12, to mark International Women's Day.

Organised as part of the South East England Development Agency (Seeda) Women's Enterprise Ambassadors Network, the speaker will be Caroline Marsh, who recently took part in Channel 4's Secret Millionaire series.

The lunch is at Nutfield Priory, Redhill. International Women's Day is a global event to mark the social, political and economic achievements of women.

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Julie Maddocks asks: "In business, is small really beautiful?" Search 'crunch'

Act now to sustain a healthy bottom line

■ BY TONY PATEY

BUSINESS chiefs have been told to grasp the nettle and embrace sustainable commercial activity - or face the Government imposing regulations upon them.

An audience of high-powered county businesspeople were at last week's Institute of Directors/Business Link breakfast on sustainability in business.

David Boomer, head of energy efficiency and climate change at the IoD, said: "Sustainability is a business agenda which has been coming of age for some time, but it has to be a fundamental part of business."

"You can't talk about it without energy efficiency and climate change. The UK, for the future, has a huge skills gap. We need innovative sustainable skills with clear leadership and investment."

"If business doesn't respond, Government will regulate. We need to develop business and skills capacity."

He was speaking at the conference centre in Sittingbourne's Kent Science Park, a fitting venue because the park's senior management, led by director James Speck, is also keen to develop skills for the area and beyond.

He was introduced by Kent IoD chairman Frazer Thompson, who said: "Sustainability is something we can do without sacrificing winning new business."

Mr Thompson runs the Chapel Down wines group at Tenterden and he said it recently took a look at its own carbon footprint - and a half was in the wooden posts in the vineyard. They have since been swapped for metal ones.

Andrew Fletcher, managing director of Carbon Control energy conservation company, said: "From speaking to many business owners and managers it became apparent to me that businesses are in fact concerned about



SEE THE LIGHT: Sustainability and hi-tech skills are essential to the UK's future prosperity, delegates were told

reducing their energy consumption, costs and increasing their sustainability. However they sometimes lack the knowledge, expertise and time to tackle these issues."

He said businesses could access national and local grants - as well as support such as the Carbon Trust's interest-free loans - and they should also check out enhanced capital allowance schemes.

Erica Russell, Business Link's market development manager (sustainable business) said a company's green credentials should encompass its issues with energy, water, waste, raw materials, legislation and transport.

Paul Anderson, who runs Stone Circle Livery between Woodchurch and High Halden, which claims to be the UK's first and

only fully organic livery yard, gave a mini case study and stressed the need to be committed, determined and innovative.

High quality commands a premium rate and with the credit squeeze some customers left and a long waiting list vanished, he said.

However, he increased his rates but also increased the amount he had been setting aside for environmental improvements from each customer as well.

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ON FORM: Canterbury made it four wins in a row with victory against Bridgwater on Saturday

In-form Canterbury too strong for Albion

CANTERBURY continued their good form with a fourth successive win on Saturday which moved Danny Vaughan's men up to fifth in National 3 South.

The margin of victory could, and probably should, have been much greater, but with the game won the home side fell away in the final 20 minutes.

The visitors, who had thrashed Canterbury in the reverse fixture in Somerset, took the lead with an early penalty. It was the only time they led in the whole game and within minutes a typically incisive burst from Cristof Blom set up a try for

RUGBY

Canterbury 27

Bridgwater & Albion 11

Andy Pratt, which was converted by Gert De Kock.

Midway through the half Mike Melford extended the advantage before superb work from the forwards was finished off by Pat Sykes for the hosts' third try. Bridgwater narrowed the gap with a try and penalty

either side of a De Kock kick to make it 20-11 to Canterbury at the break.

Vaughan's side remained on top early in the second half and Melford, second in the division's top scorers list, added another to his tally and earned his side a bonus point for scoring four tries. De Kock kicked the conversion.

With plenty of time remaining it looked like Canterbury might run away with the game, but both sides missed good opportunities as the game fizzled out.

Up next for Canterbury is a trip to improve Worthing on Saturday.

Bay get ready for hectic fixture run

AFTER a weekend without a first team game Herne Bay begin a hectic spell of games on Saturday which will go a long way to determining where they finish this season.

Barry Morgan's side visit mid-table Croydon this weekend in what is the first of five Kent League games in two weeks. A healthy return from the series, which continues at Erith & Belvedere next Tuesday, could set Bay up for a top three finish.

The club's reserves play the first leg of their League Cup semi-final against rivals Whitstable Town tonight. The game at Winch's Field kicks off at 7.45pm.

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Crusade for a top three finish ends

KENT Crusaders' hopes of a top three finish in Division Two were effectively ended by defeat at Leicester Warriors on Saturday.

The Canterbury-based side went down 72-63 in the East Midlands. It meant the Warriors moved two points clear in third with a game in hand and leaves the Crusaders now hoping to stay fourth, which would give them a home tie in the first round of the play-offs.

Crusaders have two games of the regular season remaining, both at home. They begin on Saturday against the Colchester Hornets, who will be desperate to win the game to boost their own play-off chances.

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SAFE PAIR OF HANDS: Geraint Jones is hoping to bat higher up the order for Kent this season after working hard in the nets during the winter

Jones hopeful winter work yields batting promotion

CRICKET

■ BY GLENN PEARSON

this year. We will wait until the season starts to see what decisions have been made."

Whenever interviewed, the obvious question of a return to the England side always pops up. While the Papua New Guinea-born gloveman is hopeful of a return to the international stage, his chances of joining old team-mates Andrew Flintoff and Steve Harmison in this year's Ashes look remote at best.

Jones said: "I don't know where I sit really. I'm not sure if I have been thrown on the scrapheap or whether or not I have been put in the Duncan Fletcher era and they've moved on, I don't know.

"I have got the experience of being there, but ultimately it's up to me to go out there and score the runs and leave it there in the selectors' hands.

"I don't want to be thinking 'I need to score runs to get back into the England side', I want

to score runs to enjoy my cricket and that's most important."

Jones is now one of the senior professionals on the Kent staff and will be a member of the team that some of the younger players are likely to go to for advice.

Despite suffering relegation from the top tier of the County Championship last season, Jones feels the additions to the squad is cause for optimism.

"Sam Northeast has delayed going to university and he is an exciting prospect. Hopefully he will get a chance because he is the future of Kent," he said.

"A few of the young guys we have brought in through the Academy have bolstered the bowling so I think that side of it is exciting. James Hockley is back, I was involved at the club when he was here before and I always felt then that he was a player of immense talent.

"I think he has gone away and matured and worked out a few things out and realised that playing cricket for a living is an honour. He is looking fitter so it's exciting having him back on board."

Picture: IGOR KUPCO

Oystermen let points slip away at basement club

FOOTBALL

BY DAVID PRITCHARD

Crowborough Athletic 2

Whitstable Town 2

WHITSTABLE Town manager Marc Seager was left frustrated by his side's inconsistency after they drew with bottom side Crowborough three days after beating Ebbsfleet in the Kent Senior Cup.

The Oystermen twice led against the relegation-bound side thanks to a brace from Dave Cory. On both occasions they were unable to hang on against a team which had lost their previous 16 league games.

The flat performance came on the heels of one of their best results of the season, when they beat a makeshift Ebbsfleet to reach the Kent Senior Cup semi-finals.

Seager said: "It's disappointing because of the way we've been playing recently. Confidence was high after beating Ebbsfleet but I said to the players this is why we will always be down where we are."



Picture: GOR KURCO

BRACE: Dave Cory scored twice but it was only enough to earn Whitstable a point against rock bottom Crowborough

"The week before we lost to Met Police and they are able to perform like that week-in week-out. Ability-wise we are good enough to be in the play-offs but tables don't lie, all the time we are inconsistent we're going to struggle."

Town had Tom Parker, Sam Denly and Clint Gooding all out suspended, while centre-backs

Whitstable Town starting XI



Subs used: Gess (Perona 70) Wisker (Tanner 70) Neal (Pulman 70)

Rod Thomas and Liam Quinn had to pass late fitness tests.

Cory put the visitors in front on 15 minutes when he converted Marcos Perona's cross, but Crowborough drew level on the half hour mark.

On the stroke of half-time Cory restored the advantage, tapping in the rebound after a Danny Tippie header struck the woodwork. The visitors had chances after the break to wrap the game up and they were punished ten minutes from time when Crowborough scored from the penalty spot after a foul from Thomas.

The draw left Whitstable 15th, ten points above the relegation zone.

Striker Ian Pulman has turned down an approach from Ashford Town, much to Seager's delight.

He said: "He would've been able to earn a few more quid and play in a side fighting for the play-offs, so it's a big bonus and shows what the players think about this club."

Whitstable are at home at Dulwich Hamlet on Saturday.

FOOTBALL



Picture: DAVID MULLANEY

ON TARGET: Royston Gough (centre) wrapped up victory for City with a late strike

City feel pressure but book their place in cup final

Canterbury City 2 Oakwood 0

A FORTNIGHT after pulling off a league revival in recent weeks, which has been apparent in both games against City, although on this occasion they relied heavily on exceptional goalkeeping from Clark Hunt.

City took the lead on 13 minutes when Calum McGeehan, inspirational with his long passing, hit the ball into the penalty area. A defender intercepted but the attempted clearance flew up for Lawford to head back over the goalkeeper.

Despite falling behind, Oakwood remained stubborn defensively and made it difficult for City to get any more clear-cut first half opportunities. Three minutes after the break Gough broke away and blasted a shot towards the top corner. Hunt got fingertips to the ball and City were deprived of the chance to feel secure.

City manager Dave Fairclough had to make changes after Jamie Brooke was injured and it was not until ten minutes from time that his side finally made sure of a place in the final. A corner was swung in and Gough leapt to head in as he moved towards the near post.

Fairclough said: "It's great to get another opportunity to bring silverware to the club, but I'm pleased we don't have to face Oakwood again this season. They've come on leaps and bounds."

While City were in cup action, AFC Sheppey took advantage with a win to leapfrog them to the top of the County League Division One East.



BATTLE ROYALE: Martial arts experts will fight in Canterbury this May in the Ringmasters' tournament

Get ready to rumble at the Body & Mind

THE cream of the country's martial arts talent will gather in Canterbury this summer for the increasingly influential Ringmasters elimination tournament.

The event, now in its fourth year, was due to be held at ExCeL in London's Docklands, but was under threat after several sponsors pulled out. Instead Ringmasters creator Lee Whittington, who runs the Warriors Gym in Herne Bay, has switched it to the Body and Mind Leisure Centre in Canterbury.

He said: "It's the most prestigious knock-out tournament in the country and will be a very big occasion, so it's exciting to bring it to Canterbury for the first time. We're expecting 150-200 fighters across the categories, so it should be quite a spectacle."

The event is run under kickboxing rules but is open to any other martial arts fighters.

Kickboxing as a sport has struggled for recognition in the UK, partly down to the fragmented nature of its governing bodies. Whittington set up Ringmasters in 2006 as a non-political event open to all in an attempt to unite the sport and help increase its profile.

The tournament will be held on Saturday, May 9.

European hopes slip away as Ladies lose to Poynton

HOCKEY

CANTERBURY Ladies slipped to fifth in the Women's Premier Division after they suffered a last-gasp defeat against Poynton Ladies on Saturday.

The defeat, their first at Polo Farm in the league this season, was enough to see them fall behind Slough in the top half of the table.

Assured wins against Clifton and Trojans last month had boosted hopes of a top two finish and European qualification, but the afternoon began badly for Ian Jennings' side.

Manchester side Poynton, making their longest away trip of the season, took the lead inside three minutes through Helen Armishaw. The visitors held on to their slender lead until 12 minutes from time when they conceded a penalty, which was converted by Susie Rowe for her second goal in as many games.

The game looked to be drifting towards a draw, but two minutes from time Poynton scored from a penalty corner to seal victory.

Canterbury visit rock bottom Chelmsford on Sunday, a team they beat 7-0 when the sides met in November.

The club's men stayed in contention for an immediate return to the top flight as they scored late on to beat Chelmsford 4-3.

Lloyd Norris-Jones put Canterbury in front, but they conceded goals either side of half-time to trail 2-1. Two goals in as many minutes from Norris-Jones and Ed Butcher restored their lead, but they were pegged back once again.



Picture: ADY KERRY

LATE SHOW: Canterbury Ladies were edged out by Poynton on Saturday putting them in fifth position

Stuart Goodman came up with the winner four minutes from time to stay third, two points behind leaders Oxted. They host Sevenoaks on Saturday.

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